

After Action Report (AAR)
Exchange Pricing (EP) IT IPR
21-22 March 2007

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Date/Time: 21/03/07 0900

Location: Vienna, Va.

Invitees: ASA (FM&C), AMC G3 EI, AMC G8, DA G4, SARSS, Middleware, Funds Control, LMP, CCSS, GCSS-A, LIW and Army Commands (ACOM), Army Service Component Commands (ASCC), and Direct Reporting Units (DRU)

Attendees: see Appendix A

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Welcome:

The EP IT IPR was hosted by AT&T, Vienna, VA on 21-22 March 2007. Mr. Jimmie Brazeal, AT&T Requirements Manager, opened the meeting with administrative remarks and provided the full agenda that would be followed. Mr. Brazeal stated that the purpose of this IT IPR would be to provide Army Commands (ACOM), Army Service Component Commands (ASCC), and Direct Reporting Units (DRU) with an update on the Exchange Pricing initiative. [filename: 01 IT IPR 20070321 Welcome.pdf].

Introduction:

Mr. Doug Hone, AMC G3 EI, noted that the IT IPR was a vehicle for the Central Design Activities (CDAs) and other activities to provide an update on EP development activities to AMC G3 Enterprise Integration and the participating ACOMs. Ms. Dawn LaFalce, Acting Director of AMC GE EI, thanked everyone for attending the IT IPR.

Open Action Items:

Mr. Jimmie Brazeal, AT&T Requirements Manager, provided an overview of the open Action Items. [filename: 02 EP IT IPR 20070321 Action Items. pdf]. The following Action Items were discussed as indicated:

07/01_70 - Procedures will be developed to limit serviceable credit to Sales.

Action: Mr. Powers, AMC G8, recommended closure as outside scope of the EP initiative. Mr. Hone approved status of AI CLOSED.

07/02_71- EP Team to provide recommendations to AMC EI of training levels and projected training dates. Provide “before” and “after” Leadership chart to AMC EI for approval.

Action: Mr. Blake, AT&T PM EP, recommended closure since methodology is in place. Mr. Hone approved status of AI CLOSED.

07/02_72 - A single source needs to be developed for EP and reparable reporting.

Action: Mr. Blake recommend AI be closed see BR 4.6 LIW is the reporting activity. Mr. Hone approved status of AI CLOSED.

07/02_73 - Related to EPBR 9. “AWCF- funded national maintenance work will be direct cited.”

- Leadership directed that the MIPR process currently used to reimburse SORs should be eliminated, especially in view of 2LM and CRP implementation.
- SAMS-E should be modified to accomplish this requirement.
- If SAMS-E cannot be modified to accomplish this in time for EP roll-out, an alternative COA must be developed.
- Possibly provide an AWCF-funded DODAAC for use by the SOR for this work.
- NMM TO in LMP may provide to direct shipping of parts to the plant doing the work.

Action: Recommend closure as an IPR AI and request EPBR 9 be deleted. AMC HQ (Don Clary) will initiate action to recommend deletion of EPBR 9. Mr. Hone approved status of AI CLOSED. AMC G3 EI, working with the EP Integration Team will staff the proposed Business Rule change during the next update cycle.

07/02_74 - Related to EPBR 6. Items used in nationally reimbursed maintenance work will be billed at SP and use current credit policies. LCMC is approving authority for this work.

A. HQDA/AMC Need to resolve

- 1. If NMP SORs repairing items for AWCF-SMA will be billed EP
- 2 If NMP SORs repairing items for AWCF-SMA will be billed STD with no credit
- 3. If NMP SORs repairing items for AWCF-SMA will be billed STD with credit using current credit policy.

B. When that is resolved; need to poll the CDAs to ensure their ECPs are designed to accommodate the decision above.

Action: Recommend closure as an IPR AI and recommend EPBR 6 be deleted. AMC HQ (Don Clary) will initiate action to for recommendation to delete EPBR 6. Mr. Hone approved status of AI CLOSED. AMC G3 EI, working with the EP Integration Team will staff the proposed Business Rule change during the next update cycle.

Open Issues: None

System Requirements:

Mr. Jimmie Brazeal, AT&T Requirements Team Manager, briefed the System Requirements for Exchange Pricing. [filename: 03 EP IT IPR 20070321 Requirements.pdf]. Mr. Brazeal provided an overview of the System Requirements by CDA for EP. Mr. Brazeal stated that EP tracking currently has 17 requirements, but will be dropping one requirement (EPIP 1.14) because work is being accomplished by SSF MW. There are currently 8 Business Rules, 44 Implementing Procedures and 66 System requirements. A question came up referencing whether GCSS-Army would have any requirements. Mr. Doug Hone stated we have begun talking to G-Army. They have been provided the EPBRs and they will have some system requirements.

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

EP Business Rules/Implementing Procedures Update:

Mr. Doug Blake, AT&T Team Lead for Exchange Pricing, provided a status update concerning the Exchange Pricing Program. [filename: 04 EP IT IPR 20070321 EP Update.pdf]. Mr. Blake briefed the LIW requirement for EPIP 4.6 He explained how LIW will access EP tracking data through FCM. Mr. Blake briefly described LIW capabilities and reporting methodologies. He emphasized that reporting must be right. Mr. Blake said Calibre will provide a "Reports" presentation at the Apr or May IT IPR. This presentation will be a draft version of the concept for EP reporting within LIW. Changes can still be made as necessary. USAREUR, Mr. Bob Kiebler, asked whether a separate report will be available for aviation items. His concern was the items repaired

by CLS that are supported by SARSS but not a part of a NMP and whether these parts would be EP items? Mr. Terry Powers, AMC G8, replied that the CLS assets may be EP. He further explained that an item currently receiving credit will be designated EP at least for the FY 08 period. In that light, tracking and reporting should occur. Mr. Blake discussed EP Metrics. His team is reviewing the data needed to support Metrics for AMC and Army Leadership to adequately measure the Exchange Pricing program. Metrics will be reviewed on two fronts. One is the Foundation Level to address if Business Rules are working as intended and two, Army Level to determine if EP implementation achieved the desired results. He noted that the collection period reflected on Chart 8 of his brief should be corrected from Apr 06-Jun 08 to Apr 07-Jun 08. Metrics will concentrate on BR 1, 2, and 4. Data collection will begin a full year before implementation in order to build a meaningful baseline.

Metrics Recommendations -

- Show any difference in a unit's buying power before EP and after EP
- Is EP tracking model operating IAW the stated business rule
- Recommend a metrics that measures how many excess unserviceable turn in is made
- Use two categories of metrics one after implementation and the other post implementation which will probably be developed from the LIW suite of reports
- Use a report that measures the dollar value of back orders at SP vice dollar value of back orders when EP is implemented
- Numbers must be measured against a standard in order for a metrics to be effective or the numbers don't mean anything

CW3 McClure, Army Sustainment Command, asked if information on recoverable items could be combined into one report, whether the recoverable is EP or non-EP items (precious metals, hazardous materiel, etc). Mr. Blake said it would have to be looked into.

Action Items: None

Open Issues: Mr. Blake to review the capability to report on EP and non-EP items that are on the recoverable listing.

CCSS/LMP Update:

Mr. Andre Harmon, representative for LAISO, briefed the status of CSC and LMP. [filename: 05 EP IT IPR 20070321 CCSS Update.pdf]. Mr. Harmon described the position for the National Level. National ECP-S Development Timeline applies to both LMP and CCSS. He stated that LMP has one overarching ECP and that has been provided to Mr. Ron Lewis, AMC G3. USAREUR representative request a copy of ECP 3517 for review. Mr. Rob Rotyiano, PM LMP, stated "ECP 3517 has been reviewed by Ron Lewis and passed to the LCMCs. The LCMCs will now pass the ECP to the LMP contractors to complete an Estimate- To-Complete (ETC)." Mr. Bob Hanahan, ASA

(FM&C) BUR, asked if the ETC would be available next week during the conversion meeting. Mr. Harmon said the Contractors ETC will not be completed by the time of the Conversion Meeting in St. Louis (26-30 Mar 07) occurs. CCSS and LMP have a total of 9 System Requirements supporting Exchange Pricing. Mr. Harmon stated CCSS currently has a total of 9 ECPs in STARS for CDA analysis.

CCSS

- ECP Cost/Schedule Impacts
- Competing priorities (EP – BEIS) may extend EP development cycle and delay deployment

LMP

- Awaiting System Requirements from Financial BTL
- ECP Cost/Schedule Impacts
- DLMS Migration Impacts
- Potential loss of data during mapping of MILS to DLMS

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

PO LIS (SARSS) Update:

Mr. Ron Fox, representative for PO LIS, provided an update on the EP requirements assigned to SARSS [filename: 06 EP IT IPR 20070321 PO LIS Update (SARSS).pdf]. Mr. Fox briefed that SARSS had three issues. Two dealt with DIC processing that have since been resolved by AMC G3 EI and the third was AMC EI approval of SARSS ECPs. Mr. Fox stated they have received AMC G3 EI approval of processing AM_ and D6R transactions to support EP logic. SARSS will use the D6R for EP turn-ins as requested by CCSS. AMC G3 EI also has approved the other SARSS ECPs. He said SARSS will implement a serviceable stock number table and an unserviceable stock number table post EP implementation. Mr. Doug Hone stated that there will probably be practice file pulls as part of conversion?

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

MW Update:

Mr. Barry Amos, AT&T Middleware, provided an update on the EP requirements assigned to MW [filename: 07 EP IT IPR 20070321 MW Update.pdf]. Mr. Amos stated there are no Action Items assigned and no issues to date. MW has a total of 14 System Requirements supporting Exchange Pricing. Mr. Fox mentioned removing the OMA NIIN table. Mr. Gale Winchester, EUSA, said there is still a need for the OMA NIIN table in Korea for financial processing. After much discussion on the need to retain

systems OMANIIN table and associated logic to accommodate non-cataloged MCNs and not-catalog part numbers an Action Item was opened to investigate the issue.

Action Items: AI 07/03_75 Review the need to retain OMA NIIN table in SSF MW and logic to apply OMA DODAAC for MCN, part numbered transactions (OMA DODAAC overlay) Will catalog ABA of other than "2" keep transaction out of AWCF Financial (Barry Amos, Ron Fox and Gale Winchester will coordinate)

Open Issues: None

SITWG/SIT Update:

Mr. John Curd, AT&T Lead for Software, Testing and Development (SDT), provided a SITWG/SIT update. [filename: 08 EP IT IPR 20070321 SITWG Update.pdf] Mr. Curd stated that the SITWG participation in Huntsville, AL was excellent. A total of 43 participants attended and reviewed 125 test cases. Mr. Curd stated that four additional test cases were added and nine were removed, leaving a total of 120 Test Cases. Of those test cases, 64 were reviewed. He noted that the D6A test cases must be changed to D6R based on AMC approval of the SARSS change. Mr. Curd briefed that CCSS initiated a test case to test its NIMSC5 logic. Mr Bob Hanahan asked for someone to explain NIMSC5. Andrea James, CCSS, stated that under NIMSC5, the Army is the SICA and another service is the PICA. Mr. Hanahan then made the connection with PICA/SICA to NIMSC5. Mr. Curd provided dates and locations for the two Remaining SITWG meetings. They are: 9-13 Apr and 7-11 May 07. The April SITWG will be hosted by FORSCOM and USARC in Atlanta, GA. He said the EP SIT is scheduled to begin in July after the 21 Jun SIT Readiness Review where leadership is projected to grant approval to proceed. Mr. Curd said SIT 2 cycles are scheduled to be completed.

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

EP Tracking Update:

Mr. Jim Bosse, AT&T-Militek EP Tracking Module Developer, provided an update on the EP Tracking capability. [filename: 09 EP IT IPR 20070321 EP Tracking Update.pdf]. Mr. Bosse stated there are no Action Items assigned and no issues to date. There are 16 CR's in development. EP tracking has a total of 17 System Requirements supporting Exchange Pricing. Total requirements are pending a review to drop one requirement as not needed since SSF MW is performing the associated logic (EPIP 1.14).

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

FCM Update:

Mr. John Franks, AT&T-Ingenuity, Funds Control, was not present. [filename: 10 IT IPR 20070321 FCM Update.pdf]. Mr. Jimmie Brazeal, AT&T Requirements Manager, provided a status update of the Funds Control effort. Mr. Brazeal stated there are no Action Items assigned and no issues to date. He briefed the architecture layout for FCM and EP Tracking Systems. Mr. Bob Kiebler, USAREUR, asked when the sequence of events for EP Conversion will be published. Mr. Blake said the SOE is being worked. An example is the conversion workshop will be conducted the week of 26 March. Mr. Ron Fox stated that when the SARSS EP package is complete and it will be published to the field. This SARSS package may be published after the SIT or it may be published after the Emulation Test. The SARSS ICP will contain the necessary "switches" to turn on EP logic at the appropriate time. This is necessary due to the many Army mandated changes ongoing to the SARSS baseline. Mr. Brazeal said FCM has a total of 13 System Requirements with no completion percentage at this time. Mr. Doug Hone asked if we could establish a standard across the board on coding percentages. Mr. Brazeal explained that would not be feasible because percentages are measured differently within each CDA due to the Change Management systems they use. Various CM tools have different measurement standards. As a AMC G3 EI gauge, Mr. Brazeal recommend the group use the chart "System Requirements" that depict the total number of requirements, number in development, number in testing and those ready for SIT. Mr. Hone agreed.

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

EP Training Update:

Mr. Fred Milton, AT&T-LOGVALU Implementation and Training Team, briefed the training strategy for EP. [filename: 11 EP IT IPR 20070321 EP Training Update.pdf]. Mr. Milton said EP will continue to refine ACOM specific scaleable on-site training requirements based on input from ACOM EP POCs. He clarified a point that ACOM training requirements will be solicited and scalable. Training schedules can then be developed from information requirements provided. Training will be provided as close to the implementation date as feasible based on limited training personnel resources. Additionally, we will continue to leverage any opportunity to pitch the "EP Story", especially to senior level Commanders. The Introduction to Exchange Pricing presentation is scheduled to be placed on the SSF website, <http://www.ssf.army.mil>, in the following formats:

- Approximately 22 minute streaming media presentation.
- Adobe formatted PowerPoint slides and supporting narrative.

Action Items: None

Open Issues: None

ACOM/ASCC/DRU Discussion:

Mr. Brazeal provided time for each Army Commands (ACOM), Army Service Component Commands (ASCC), and Direct Reporting Units (DRU) to address any issues or concerns.

Comments were as follows:

Mr. Robert Kiebler, USAREUR G-4, asked what activity is looking at the DS/RX lines to be capitalized in Europe. Mr. Terry Powers said it would be AMC G3 NMP. Mr. Kiebler also mentioned the need to ensure that the EP Metric baseline included a full year of data for measurement. Mr. Kiebler expressed a concern that the special repair facilities in USAREUR may have difficulties meeting the 60 day window for turn in due to ordering parts in advance of actual repairs. This is of course to ensure that all needed parts are on hand prior to repair activity beginning. He stated that if EPBR 6 were to be deleted that would adversely affect USAREUR's CLS environment. Mr. Blake mentioned that all ACOM, ASCC and DRU will have the opportunity to review and comment on BR changes during the staffing process.

Mr. Nick Fuller, TRADOC, described his unique scenario whereas the TRADOC schools will be requesting repair parts that may be EP but they would not necessarily have the unserviceable item for turn in. Mr. Brazeal stated that HQ DA can grant exemption for the BRs for given DODAACs based on operational needs. Further discussion determined that TRADOC's unique situation may fall more in line with a concern that EUSA will address later. (Initial issues)

Mr. George Lampros, USARPAC, had a concern, based on EP concepts about how units would react (customer turn in behavior) and the spending policies. Mr. Blake replied that lessons learned from the FC conversion are to ensure that the team gathers enough data for metrics so you will know if things are working to the explicit requirements and leadership's expectations.

Mr. Gale Winchester, EUSA, raised two issues. First there was a lot of discussion and concerns about PLL initial issues since there would be no maturing turn-ins causing Delta Bill generation. It is perceived that Commanders at all levels will be watching the number of Delta Bill and attempting to gauge a units turn in performance based on this number. And two, it was also recognized that current Unit Level systems such as ULLS/SAMS, do not have a catalog that support our current EP concepts. It was decided to open the following AI's:

Action Items:

AI 07/03_76 Review procedures to process initial issues such as PLL. Since PLL initial issues are non-recurring, there will be no maturing turn-ins, so a Delta Bill will result. Delta Bills in that case creates the wrong impression that a unit failed to make the appropriate turn in. (Mr. Blake will review the program with affected SMEs to craft a solution if feasible)

AI 07/03_77 Review the need to change unit level systems (ULLS/SAMS) catalog process to include EP values. (For internal STAMIS reporting, not necessarily needed for transaction processing) (Mr. Blake will follow up with PM LIS)

Open Issues: None

Wrap up:

Mr. Jimmie Brazeal provided a wrap-up of the IPR Actions Items. [filename: 12 EP IT IPR 20070322 Wrap-up.pdf]. Three (3) Action Items were opened during the IPR. Mr. Brazeal briefed the remaining IT IPR schedule. They are: 18-19 Apr and 30-31 May 07. He also reiterated that IPR briefing charts are available for download at <http://www.ssf.army.mil>.

Closing:

The March 07 IT IPR ended with Mr. Jimmie Brazeal thanking all who participated. Forty two personnel representing AMC G3 EI, ASA (FM&C), PD LIS, CCSS-LMP, FORSCOM, USAREUR, TRADOC, USARPAC, EUSA, USARC, DASACE, LAISO, TACOM-Warren and Army Sustainment Command attended the March 07 EP IT IPR. The next scheduled EP IT IPR is 18 – 19 April 2007 at the same location.

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